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Applicant(s): Zavislan et al.

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of July 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please rewrite Claims 27, 34, and 36 as follows:

27. (twice amended) A microscopic imaging apparatus for imaging tissue samples for pathological applications through an objective lens, said apparatus comprising:

an objective lens;

a window having a surface capable of being pressed into a contact relationship with the surface of said tissue sample in which said window is in optical communication with said objective lens; and

a housing capable of being handheld having at least said objective lens and said window.

34. (twice amended) A system for imaging and diagnosing a tissue sample for pathological applications comprising:

an objective lens;

a window having a surface capable of being pressed into a contact relationship with the surface of said tissue sample;

a housing capable of being handheld having at least said objective lens and said window;